

REMARKS

Claims 9-12, 15, and 18-26 are now pending in the application. Claims 1-8, 13, 14, 16, and 17 have been cancelled. Claims 19-26 are new. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection(s) in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Invention II, Claims 9-12, 15, and 18. Applicant makes this election without prejudice and reserves the right to prosecute the remaining Invention I (Claims 1-8, 13-14, and 16-17) at a later date.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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